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the jays to other birds. His figures as to the destruction of birds' eggs by jays are interesting but in all likelihood excessive.

Taken as a whole, these first fascicles of Dawson's "Birds of California" are quite acceptable, more especially from the standpoint of the esthetic enjoyment of bird study. The typography and make-up are neat, and satisfyingly free from error. We hope that the undertaking will come to completion without further delay, and with the same plane of merit sustained to the end.—J. GRINNELL.

## MINUTES OF COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

## SOUTHERN DIVISION

August (meeting for July).—Regular monthly meeting of Southern Division Cooper Ornithological Club was held at the Los Angeles Museum at 8:00 p. m., August 2, 1921. In the absence of both presiding officers, Mr. G. Frean Morcom was acclaimed chairman. Other members present were: Messrs. Chambers, de Groot, Hanaford, Howell, King, Lamb, Law, Robertson, Trenor, Wheeler and Wyman; Mrs. Law and Miss Germain. Mrs. Wheeler and Mr. Enochs were visitors.

Minutes of the July meeting were read and approved. New applications for membership were presented as follows: Marie Pauline Coppee, Ross, Marin County, by Miss Miller; Rex P. Enochs, 715 So. Hope St., Los Angeles, by L. E. Wyman; Walter Mackay Case, Box 399, Prescott, Ariz., and Joseph Edward Hallinen, Cooperton, Kiowa County, Okla., by W. Lee Chambers; Mary Caroline Coman, 1644 Berkeley Ave., Stockton, by Tracy I. Storer; Mrs. Wm. Clark Brown, 945 Orange St., Los Angeles, by H. C. Bryant. The names of Robert Cunningham Miller and Wm. Polk Farber, of Berkeley; and Mrs. Mildred Tiffany Wood, Hopland, were received from the Northern Division.

Formal business ended, members who had recently been a-field related some interesting experiences and observations. Adjourned.—L. E. WYMAN, Secretary.

August.—Regular monthly meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Club, Southern Division, was held at the Los Angeles Museum at 8:00 p. m., August 25, 1921. In the absence of both presiding officers, Dr. L. H. Miller was acclaimed chairman of the meeting. Other members present were: Messrs. Chambers, Edwards, Warmer, Wheeler and Wyman; Mesdames Brown and Warmer; Misses Beers and Pratt. Mrs. Beers, Mrs. Wheeler, Alden Miller and Mr. Patterson were visitors.

Minutes of the July meeting were read and approved, and those of the Northern Division for July were read. Names presented for membership were: Miss Coral Canby, San Fernando, by R. C. Ross; John Jonas, 215 West Park St., Livingston, Mont., by E. R. Warren; Otis Howard Wade, 1353 Vine St., Los Angeles, by W. Lee Chambers.

The Secretary announced that the missing parts of *The Auk*, needed to complete the set belonging to the Southern Division, had been donated by members. An invitation from Dr. Miller to the Club to hold its September meeting at his home, on the Arroyo Seco, was unanimously accepted.

Formal business completed, members who had recently returned from their summer outings contributed to a half hour of informal bird talk. Adjourned.—L. E. WYMAN. Secretary.

SEPTEMBER.—The regular monthly meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Club, Southern Division, was held at 3:00 p. m., September 25, 1921, at the home of Dr. L. H. Miller, on the Arroyo Seco, Los Angeles. In the continued absence of both presiding officers, Dr. Miller was appropriately called to the chair. As testifying to the popularity of the occasion, about sixty members and friends attended.

Since the meeting was more than ordinarily of a social nature, formal business was limited to reading of minutes of the August meeting, and presentation of three new names, as follows: Mrs. Josephine Jackson Bates, 1267 Sunset Ave., Pasadena, and Miss Jessica A. Potter, 1118 Santee St., Los Angeles, by Miss Mary Mann Miller; and Mrs. Adelaide R. Bartlett, Assessor's Office, City Hall, San Francisco, by W. Lee Chambers.

Numerous members then contributed their most interesting recent observations. among them a record of the Sabine Gull near Los Angeles, by Mrs. Bicknell; mating antics of juvenile Anna Hummers, by Miss Miller; and feeding habits of the Black Phoebe, by Mrs. Terry. Mr. Law then spoke of the entertainment and knowledge derived from bird-banding, giving results of some recent work in this line, and exhibiting the traps used for the purpose. Dr. Warmer stated that homing pigeons used during the Great War were now on exhibition at Arcadia Balloon Station, near this city.

On motion by Laurence Peyton the meeting adjourned to the informality of a water melon feast, without which this annual event would be incomplete. Adjourned.—L. E. WYMAN, Secretary.